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TERRITORY CESSIONS REJECTED IN GERMAN ANSWER TO ALLIES

Berlin Opposes Any Territorial Change Without Consulting Populations Affected; Offers 100,000,000 Marks' Indemnity; Objects to Trial of Germans by Allies; Asks for the Restoration of Her Ships.

BERLIN, Germany, May 28.—(By the Associated Press).—Germany's counter proposals to the terms of peace treaty presented to her plenipotentiaries at Versailles include the following points, according to an official summary:

Germany offers to disarm all of her battle ships, on condition that a part of her merchant fleet be restored to her.

She proposes that there be no territorial changes without consultation of the populations affected.

The cession of upper Silesia and the return to East Prussia, West Prussia and Pomerania are emphatically rejected. It is stipulated that Danzig shall become a free port and the river Vistula, neutralized.

Occupied territory is to be evacuated within six months.

World Admiration Commanded.

If the league of nations is established with Germany as a member, Germany shall continue to administer her colonies in connection with the president of the league as its mandatory.

Germany offers to pay 20,000,000 marks to the year 1920 as indemnity, and to make several payments from 1921 onward to a total not in excess of 100,000,000 marks in gold.

The reply concludes that "the treaty before right" dominates the whole of the treaty.

Objection to Trial by Allies.

Objection is expressed to the demand that Germans be surrendered for trial in enemy courts, the reply stating that an impartial authority

URGES SPEED IN COMPLETION OF 1916 BUILDING PLANS FOR WAR VESSELS

General Board Asks Haste On 1916 Building Plans For War Vessels.

COMPOSITE SHIP IDEA ABANDONED

16 High Class Battleships and 20,886 Men Minimum Peace Time Force.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 28.—(By the Associated Press).—Rapid completion of the navy's 1916 building program was urged by the general board today in a communication presented to the house naval committee by secretary Daniels. The board recommended that only slight changes be made in the plans of the capital ships as originally drawn.

No Composite Ship at Present.

The board's communication showed that the idea of building a composite ship to take the place of battleship and battle cruiser had been abandoned for the time being at least.

Head Admiral McKean, acting chief of operations, told the committee that the navy had first planned to build 16 battleships, with a total complement of 20,886 men, who were kept in commission as a peace time force.

He said the personnel of a ship would not be decreased without decreasing its efficiency.

Yield Speed for Protection.

Principal changes in the six battle cruisers authorized in 1916, recommended by the board, would give the ships additional protection at the expense of speed.

The ships were designed for 35 knots speed.

Admiral McKean said fewer men were used on British ships than on American ships of the same type, partly because Great Britain has more men trained to the work.

"I want to say, though, that the navy is not a white man's navy," he said. "As a whole, I believe our navy is better than any other navy in the world."

The cost to the United States of each man in the navy averaged \$1200 a year, the witness said.

It is definitely known the Germans will not sign the treaty.

All the great powers, including the Rhine, will be asked to report to have held conferences relative to action if the Germans decline to conclude peace on the proposed terms.

ARROGANT WHEN IN VICTORY, GERMANS BABIES IN DEFEAT

Even If They Sign, They Have No Intention of Paying Unless Forced to Do So by an Allied Army—Hope to Break Up the Allies and Get Off Without Paying Anything—Pushing Insidious Propaganda.

By FRANK H. SIMONDS.

PARIS, France, May 28.—(By the Associated Press).—The German mind is a fact which slowly, very slowly, is penetrating the German mind and is becoming a factor in the German mind. The mass of Germans still stubbornly refuse to believe that their army was defeated. They announce openly that their fleet was taken by "dirty tricks." They say that having changed their government so far as outward form is concerned, they can no longer be held responsible for the offending of the past and, paradoxically, they still insist in the main that there was no offending.

No regret for the war, no remorse for the crimes of the war, nothing approaching an understanding or appreciation of the western point of view, has yet been reached except in very scattered instances. Nonetheless, the German line of defense against the terms of the treaty of peace is beginning to unfold.

The German is going to make an effort to catch the so-called liberal and financial opinion of the world. He is going particularly to make a play of Mr. Wilson's fourteen points, and he still believes that he has a chance to separate America from the other allies and persuade president Wilson to advocate a modification of the terms.

Attacks Financial Clauses.

The main German attack will be directed against the financial sections of the treaty, and especially against that section which provides that the total bill of Germany shall not be paid until 1921. The German desire to be in a position to pay the bill as soon as a necessary antecedent condition to beginning the peace conference, and to insist that the financial provisions amount to a prolongation of war indicated that a majority of the committee favored an enforcement measure.

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DEMOCRATS FAIL TO BREAK UP G.O.P. SLATE

Republican Senate Committee Assignments Finally Put Through.

SEPARATE VOTE ATTEMPT FAILS

Penrose and Warren Given Posts; Democratic Assignments Adopted, Too.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 28.—(By the Associated Press).—Repeated efforts of the Democratic party to force separate votes on senate committee assignments failed today in the senate by a wide party alignment and the Republicans finally put through their slate of committee assignments, including senators Penrose and Warren, as heads of the finance and appropriations committees, respectively.

Debate Lasts 3 Hours.

The vote on the Republican committee assignments was 43 to 42, and was reached after three hours of sharp contest between Republicans and Democrats, the latter failing to secure separate votes on chairman.

After the Republican committee slate was approved, the Democratic minority assignments also were adopted.

HOUSE PROHIBITION BILLS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 28.—All of the prohibition bills introduced in the house, including a measure by representative Blanton, Democrat, of Texas, for enforcement of both war-time and constitutional prohibitions, were referred Tuesday to the judiciary committee. Volstead announced that committee hearings would be held soon.

There is a strong feeling in the house that a majority of the committee favored an enforcement measure.

COMMITTEE OF 15 IS PLANNED TO CONDUCT QUIZ OF BAKER'S ACTS

REP. GRAHAM ASKS IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSAL

Republican Plans for Investigation of Army Expenditures Are Assuming Form in House; Illinois Congressman Prepares Resolution Providing for a Special Committee to Direct Probe of War Department.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 28.—Plans of the Republican leaders of the house for investigations of expenditures of the war department took definite form today when representative Graham, of Illinois, prepared a resolution providing for appointment of a special committee of 15 members to conduct such an investigation.

Immediate consideration of the resolution was asked.

Congressmen See Little Safety In League Of Nations And Demand Strong Military Policy For U. S.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 28.—(By the Associated Press).—The United States will continue to exercise pressure upon the league for an agreement by which the Japanese are to be admitted to the United States on equality with the white race. No such a villa and progressive nations as Japan will submit to the immigration laws of the United States.

Must Decide Now.

This session or the next congress will decide whether the United States will maintain itself as one of the four great powers in the league of nations, or as a second-rate power. The present status of China and the other weaker nations, in this war the United States was given time to develop her military resources as she would not have had had she not been a neutral at the beginning of the conflict. Since the United States has the allied forces which held the enemy, she was given over a year to mobilize and train her army after the declaration of war. It will be a dangerous policy to assume that the will always be in this position in the event of war with any strong powers.

If she maintains her present military strength a policy of universal military training must be adopted so that she can fill up the ranks of the magnanimous army that she has been demobilizing. Otherwise, the United States will not be able to exercise its present dominating force in the league of nations or defend itself in the event of the breaking up of the league.

KING ALBERT, OF BELGIUM, MAY VISIT U. S. NEXT FALL.

Paris, France, May 28.—(By the Associated Press).—King Albert of Belgium is expected to visit Washington to attend the initial meeting of the league of nations next October.

HURLEY PROMISES HE WILL REINSTATE SHIP CONTRACTS

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 28.—(By the Associated Press).—Reinstatement of contracts with Pacific coast shipyards which may have been unjustly treated in the cancellation of orders for steel ships since the signing of the armistice was promised by chairman Hurley, of the shipping board, at a conference with the west coast shipbuilders and seamen and representatives from California, Washington and Oregon.

Foe Asks Billions To Pay For Blockade; Italians Delay Pact

VERMILION, France, May 28.—The Italian peace delegation here, it was learned today, will present a counter claim of \$10,000,000,000 for damage from the allied blockade as an offset to the reparations demands of the allied powers. (Normally a mark was worth a little less than 14 cents.)

Argues for 14 Points.

Berlin, Germany, May 28.—(By the Associated Press).—The German counter proposal to the terms of the treaty of peace will in the opening argue for the existence of Germany's contractual right to a peace based on president Wilson's 14 points because the entire nation agreed to a peace on that basis, and neither the allies nor the representatives of any other allied government have since demanded that peace be established on any other basis.

Chair Promises Not Kept.

The second section will deal with the contradictions between the chair of the treaty and previous arrangements given Germany, and that Germany, in accordance with the proposals for a league of nations, has adhered to the principle of a limitation of armaments.

"It would be difficult to see," one section reads, "how different conditions could be imposed upon a people as an imperialistic government. The solemn assurances of France, Great Britain and president Wilson, that the peace would be a peace of right and not of violence have not been kept, especially regarding territorial questions."

Italians Delay Decision.

Paris, France, May 28.—(By the Associated Press).—Although arrangements have been made to present the treaty to the Italian delegates Friday, the Italian government has refused to reach a decision relative to the southern boundaries of Austria, which have been delayed by action of the Italian senate.

Boys, Have You Registered For Free Swimming Lessons?

THE boys of El Paso are flocking in pairs and fours to the local "Y" to register for the Herald-Y. M. C. A. free swimming school, which starts next Monday morning at 8:10.

The Herald has at all times been an advocate of the gospel that every boy and girl should know how to swim, and now we have made arrangements with the "Y" for all boys to learn the art. Every boy in El Paso between the ages of 12 and 17, inclusive, should take advantage of this opportunity. It

Herald Y. M. C. A. Free Swimming School Coupon

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Dutch May Loan French Money For Restoration

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 28.—The committee of state at The Hague has introduced a bill providing for a five-year credit of approximately \$50,000,000 from Dutch treasury to the French government for use in the restoration of the devastated portions of France.

LEAGUE COVENANT TO BE DEBATED IN COLUMBIA

New York, May 28.—A discussion at the college of the League of Nations will be held at Columbia University, June 2, under the auspices of the Academy of Political Science. The speaker will be Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University, and other eminent men will be among the speakers.

PROTEST AGAINST POLES OFFENSIVE IN GALICIA

Paris, France, May 28.—The American and British ministers at Paris protested against the Polish offensive in Galicia, according to a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Vienna by way of Copenhagen.

England's Conciliatory Policy Toward India's Agitators May Lead To A Second Savage Mutiny

By JOHN LLOYD BALDERSTON.

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Read Congratulated For Blazing Air Trail Across Atlantic And Crew Of Seaplane Is Decorated

NEW YORK, May 28.—Vice Admiral Albert Gleaves, commanding the cruiser and transport force of the Atlantic fleet, today sent through admiral Clegg, his chief of staff, the following telegram:

"Lieut. Com. A. C. Read, U. S. N., commanding N-C-4.

"The courage and transport force congratulates you and your crew for your great achievement which has added another brilliant page to the history of the navy. We remember that your first flight was from the flagship 'Seattle' (Sigsbee)."

The Seattle is the flagship of admiral Gleaves.

"Best Wishes America."

The Manhattan Aircraft expedition today sent the following cable message to Lieut. Com. Read:

"Congratulations to you and your gallant crew on the successful completion of the first trans-Atlantic flight. The honor you have won to the U. S. N. is all the greater because it inspires America, where the airplane has its birth, to endeavor to achieve to lead the world in civil aviation."

Last Log to Plymouth.

Washington, D. C., May 28.—No word had reached the navy department this morning as to whether the seaplane N-C-4 had left Lisbon on the last leg of the flight from Buckman Beach, L. I., to Plymouth, Eng. The last message from Lisbon was received last night, and it was reported that Lieut. Com. Albert C. Read would start if weather conditions were favorable.

Officers said communication with Lisbon was exceedingly slow, as was evidenced by the fact that the message from the ship had not been received until the morning of May 28.

MISS RUTH LAW PLANS TO ATTEMPT OVERSEAS FLIGHT

Chicago, Ill., May 28.—Ruth Law, aviator, announced her Tuesday that she plans to attempt a trans-Atlantic flight within six weeks.

King George Visited Upon Navy

The king and queen, who were in the air force corps, they are the first actual recipients of this order.

The cross is a new honor, which is bestowed for devotion to duty.

Hawker Gives Experience.

Describing weather conditions and how his airplane ran into strong northerly winds, Harry G. Hawker said to a representative of the Daily Mail:

"The weather was no hindrance and we should have made the flight but for the trouble occasioned by the water-buffing in our engine system. We could have got through the worst of the weather in a couple of hours."

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Texas Chief Well Extends The Burkburnett Field Again

WICHITA FALLS, Tex., May 28.—The Texas Chief well, which has been looked for with great anticipation for the past ten days, came in yesterday, shooting over the derrick. It is estimated better than a 2000 barrel well.

Boys And Girls, Get The Billy Whiskers Books Free

HERE'S a chance for the boy and girl friends of the famous Billy Whiskers books. A book will be given for three new one-month subscriptions. Don't stop with just one book—continue to work for the entire series. It is easy to procure subscriptions for this newspaper; hundreds of boys and girls have tried it, and have been successful. The first book offered is Billy Whiskers. He is a mischievous creature, full of wickedness and fully, whose antics have furnished fun for a million boys and girls. The child enjoys every moment after he is introduced to the irresistible fellow. This offer is open to boys and girls, not only in El Paso, but throughout the entire southwest.

For further information call to see or write to H. H. Prie, circulation manager, The El Paso Herald.

Postoffice To Observe Decoration Day, May 30

Postoffice windows will be closed Friday, except from 10:30 to 11:30 a. m., in observance of decoration day. It is announced by postmaster E. A. Shelton. Carriers will make one complete delivery.

Well Extends The Burkburnett Field Again

The Texas Chief well, which has been looked for with great anticipation for the past ten days, came in yesterday, shooting over the derrick. It is estimated better than a 2000 barrel well.

This well is situated in block 94 and extends the pool more than a mile north and west of the Burkburnett-Wagoner. The new pool is now proved over a distance of three miles in a northwest direction towards Red river. It is thought likely that this will prove to be one of the largest.

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Well, Texas Can Cheer Up, The Thirst Is Not Yet To Quench; It's Here